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Subject: RE: 2021 Annual Monitoring Report for Shoshone 66-46 and Shoshone 65-32

All,

I am currently the Regulatory Analyst for Merit covering the Wind River area and the person that filed the reports. I am new to Merit and this area, so I will have to consult with my manager before responding further on this issue. Unfortunately, she is out of the office this week on vacation and will not be available until next week. I will make this a priority to follow up on this once she returns to the office and provide any additional information that is needed to close out this report. I appreciate your patience. Thank you.

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Don,

Shoshone 66-46 and Shoshone 65-32 are wells that were never transferred over to the Wind River Energy Commission. Therefore we have not been actively monitoring those wells and the valves are locked and tagged out by Merit. We do know that no fluids have been injected into those wells since we took over operations on June 1, 2021. Those wells remain under the control of Merit.

Regards,
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We received the Annual Monitoring report for the months of January through May for these two wells, but the submission did not include reports for the months of July through December. These wells were not on the list of wells transferred from Merit to Wind River Energy Commission but they were part of the submission of Circle Ridge Annual Monitoring Reports sent by Wind River Energy Commission. Hopefully, one of your organizations has the missing information for these wells and can send it to us so we may complete our review of 2021 monitoring data.

Thank you,

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